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Next month we should have all the convention details along with our usual interesting articles

1st REMEMBER The of April is the deadline for the May issue

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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Have you made your 1980 TNA convention plans? Do you have a room reservation? Reservations are a must if you plan to stay at convention headquarters. Write the general chairman for a reservation card. The bourse is about sold out and as of this date (Jan. 28) only ten tables remain unsold.

There will not be an auction. There will be an excellent educational program that all true hobbyist will want to hear. The **Maximilian Numismatic & Historical Society** will have guest speakers who are definitely an authority on the subject to be discussed. The **Society of Paper Money Collectors** will have a luncheon. A reception honoring TNA Charter Members on the 20th anniversary of the founding of TNA. All TNA members and their guests are invited; a get-together for juniors, the Board of Governors will have a meeting; the annual meeting of TNA will be held. More to come and will be announced later.

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On Jan. 26 your president attended the annual Money Show sponsored by **Greater Houston Coin Club**. As always this was well attended and a very busy show. The convention co-ordinator and members of the executive com-

mittee for the convention had a very productive meeting and another meeting with additional committee members present will be held on Feb. 22 to finalize all plans to assure the association of the best convention possible.

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Several who are serving as TNA club representatives for the first time have asked about the duties of this office. This is a very important office in respect to the future of TNA for here the real growth takes place. The representative must be a member of TNA. This person represents the club to TNA and in turn represents TNA to the club. TNA to the club takes place at each meeting by providing information regarding the association and its activities, have membership applications available at all meetings - and the club to TNA, if the club does not have a functioning reporter, send a report of club activities or TNA member activities to the **TNA NEWS** editor prior to the first of each month, ask the program chairman to present a program once or twice a year that will provide information on the association. The district governor would be a good speaker or call on any officer or former officer of TNA. And last but by

no means least, attend the annual convention if at all possible. Above all, the purpose of this office is to secure new members for TNA.

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From the **Corpus Christi Coin Club** news letter, I find the club has voted \$25.00 toward the expenses of the district governor for each TNA board meeting attended outside the city. The Corpus Christi club is to be commended for this action.

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Don't let the present price of gold and silver kill the hobby. There are more facets to numismatics than gold or silver coins. Investigate some of the other fields; you will find interest and at a more nominal cost.

MNHS TO MEET WITH TNA

Don Bailey of Houston will be the main speaker during the special meeting and educational forum planned by the Maximilian Numismatic & Historical Society in conjunction with the TNA convention on May 2, 3, 4 in Houston.

Eva Adams of Reno, Nev., former U.S. mint director, will also appear on the scheduled program along with Pat Pace of Brownsville and Joseph V. Frantz of Monessen, Pa., MNHS president.

The meeting and program will be held Saturday, May 3, following the TNA educational program. There will be special exhibits and attendance prizes.

This is the only country in the world where businessmen get together over \$15 steaks to discuss hard times.

MARCH, 1980

MINI NEWS TIME

The Texas Numismatic Association will again prepare the Mini News for the annual convention set for May 2-4 in Houston at the Shamrock Hilton Hotel.

The Mini News is a pocket-sized booklet containing information about TNA, to acquaint convention visitors with the association.

If you wish to be listed as a patron, please send \$2.50 no later than April 1 to the **TNA NEWS** Editor, Box 74, Weslaco 78596. Make checks payable to TNA. Donations will be used to help defray printing expense.

NEW GOLD SOVEREIGN

Following the rapid sell-out of Hong Kong's Year of the Goat gold coin, and other successful gold coinages struck by the British Royal Mint for the global clientele, the mint was authorized by the Governor of the Bank of England, to issue the first gold sovereign since 1937. Rich in British tradition dating from 1817 and having a maximum worldwide mintage of only 50,000, the 1979 gold sovereign - in 22 karat gold, measuring 22.12 mm in diameter and weighing 7.98 grams - was sold out throughout the world within a month after its coinage.

MORMON GOLD

Brigham Young was the instigator of the Mormon gold coinage. He personally supervised the mint housed in a small building in Salt Lake City, Utah. The mint was inaugurated in 1849 as a public convenience.

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26.20	500	.8359	.900	1955-60 10P	40
28.38	500	.7716	.900	1921 2P	39
34.06	500	.6430	.720	1977-79 100P	39
42.04	500	.5209	.720	1968-72 25P	38
46.98	500	.4662	.800	1918-19 1P	34
50.46	1000	.8681	.900	1947-48 5P	40
52.40	500	.4180	.720	1955-59 5P	36
52.40	1000	.8359	.900	1955-60 10P	40
56.76	500	.3858	.720	1920-45 1P	34
56.76	1000	.7716	.900	1921 2P	39
68.12	500	.3215	.800	1905-18 50C	30
68.12	1000	.6430	.720	1977-79 100P	39
84.08	1000	.5209	.720	1968-72 25P	38
93.95	1000	.4662	.800	1918-19 1P	34
104.78	1000	.4180	.720	1955-59 5P	36
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The Anniversary Of The Russian Revolution

BY JOHN PLILER JR

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In 1967 the Soviet Union minted, with the regular issue coins five commemorative coins depicting the 50th anniversary of the 1917 Russian Revolution. The five commemorative coins are the one rouble and the 50, 20, 15 and 10 kopek coins. The 60th anniversary of the revolution is depicted on a one rouble coin minted in 1977. Each of these coins represent some part of Russian history.

The prices of these coins are as follows:

Y#136, 10 Kopeks, Unc., 50¢

Y#137, 15 Kopeks, Unc., 65¢

Y#138, 20 Kopeks, Unc., 85¢

Y#139, 50 Kopeks, Unc., 1.50

Y#140, 1 Rouble, XI \$2.00

Unc. 2.50

Y#143, 1 Rouble (1977), Unc.

Not Listed

I am going to discuss the causes and the highlights of the Russian Revolution. As you will notice most of this article will not pertain to coins.

It probably began in 1855 when Alexander II became Czar (emperor) of Russia. Because of Russia's defeat in the Crimean War, he soon realized that Russia had to catch up with the west in the areas of agriculture, banking, education, industry and government in all towns and villages. After realizing that Russia was behind Alexander began a series of reforms on these areas.

There were many Russians that wanted much more and they joined

revolutionary groups. These revolutionary groups wanted a republic and others wanted socialism in Russia. After an attempt on the Czar's life Alexander cut back on some of his reforms. A group of revolutionaries between 1873 and 1875 tried to get the peasants to revolt because they wanted a new form of government, either socialism or anarchism (no presence of government). This effort was unsuccessful. A bomb killed the Czar in St. Petersburg in 1881, before he had the chance to set up a new program of reforms for Russia.

Alexander III followed in his father's footsteps, but under harsher conditions. During his 13-year rule improvements in Russia were far too few.

Nicholas II was the last Czar of Russia. At the beginning of his rule in 1894 there was starvation among the peasants because of a series of bad harvests. There were also three organizations against Nicholas and the Russian government. These political groups were (1) liberal constitutionalists who wanted to replace the czarist type government with a socialist type of government, (2) social revolutionaries wanted to promote a peasant revolution, and (3) the Marxists wanted revolution for the city workers. Lenin was a member of the majority in the marxist group.

Further problems for Nicholas included an economic depression in

1899 In 1904, war broke out with Japan and just added to his list. The Japanese defeated the Russians in 1905.

In St. Petersburg on Jan. 22, 1905, thousands of workers, with no weapons, marched to the czar's palace to ask Nicholas for reforms. Government troops fired on the crowd wounding or killing hundreds of marchers on strike. This incident was recorded in history as "Bloody Sunday." After this incident occurred, many more strikes broke out and peasant and left-wing activist groups revolted against the government.

A massive strike paralyzed Russia in October of 1905. Revolutionaries formed the Soviet (council group) called the Soviet of Worker's Deputies. The Czar then agreed to establish an elected parliament or Duma. This council could pass or reject all proposed laws.

Since Nicholas and other high ranking officials did not want to give up their power, the first two Dumas could not do their jobs. Nicholas also illegally changed the election law and made selecting of Duma candidates less democratic. In other words, the upper class had more representatives than the peasants. The third and fourth Dumas cooperated with Nicholas and stayed in their full five-year terms (1907-1917) unlike the previous two Dumas.

During World War I, the economy of Russia could not meet the demands of the soldiers at war and also those at home. The untrained soldiers behind the fighting lines were disloyal to the Czar, unlike the Russian troops at the

front. These people also knew that they could be sent to the front and be killed by the Germans. This was the starting of the 1917 Revolution. Nicholas also replaced high government officials with weak, unpopular men.

In early March 1917 the people began to revolt against Nicholas II and the government. There were massive strikes and riots all over the country. Even the Czar's troops joined in the riot. Parliament became the leader of Russia. Nicholas gave up his throne on Mar. 15 because he lost all political support. The premier of the Parliament took over the country. This was the end of all czarist rule in Russia.

In October of that year, there was another revolution between the Bolsheviks (Russian Communist Party) and the Parliament. After a bloody struggle in Moscow, the Bolsheviks controlled it by Nov. 15, 1917. The Bolsheviks formed their present form of government with Lenin in control. The Russian Communist Party was later changed to the Communist Party of the Soviet Union.

As you have read this article, you can see that the Revolution was an important part of Russian history. Afterward, Russia formed the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR) and made other economic policies. The revolution ended czarism and made a more useful government. This was the main reason why the Soviets minted these commemorative coins depicting the 50th anniversary of the Russian Revolution.

As you can see, coins are a part of history. Happy coin collecting!

(The following article appeared in the August 1963 issue of TNA NEWS. It was written by Courtney Coffing of Sidney, Ohio · Editor)

ARCHITECTURE

Architecture can be a tool toward emblemizing or symbolizing progress and is used on the coins of many countries. Thus, we note bridges on coins of China, Hungary and Czechoslovakia. Churches are seen on German and Mexican coins while a Buddhist temple and Japanese pagodas are seen on Oriental coins. Even whole cities are shown on some German coins. Factories are seen on East German coins; mine buildings in Canada; parliaments in Austria and Canada, castles from Slovakia and we see a school in the University of Tartu portrayed on Estonian coins.

Our own Jefferson nickel shows Monticello, the home of President Thomas Jefferson; while the current U.S. cent depicts the Lincoln Memorial on the reverse · indeed an impressive bit of architecture. A striking use of architecture to illustrate personal progress and the path of fame is on the Booker T. Washington commemorative half dollar. Here the slave cabin and the Hall of Fame are both shown. Another use of a native hut is seen on the coins of the Fiji Islands.

INDUSTRY

We could even take an industrial tour on our coins. First stopping in Luxemburg to see a worker puddling

iron at the smelter. We see the factory on the coins of the Saarland, and in Italy and neighboring Hungary, in Russia and the Philippines we see workers shaping the iron on an anvil. And the finished product - the locomotive on a coin of Mexico, the car on a Chinese coin, the plow on the Italian piece. All are evidences of the industrial product.

A nation's trade and land position will be reflected in her coinage many times. A primarily industrial country would not depict ships, nor would a tropical land show snow shoes or trapping of fur-bearing animals. The half penny of Great Britain has consistently shown the sailing vessel; fish are shown on the coins of St. Pierre and Miquelon, whose commerce centers on the fishing industry. Italy also shows a fish, and Eire, a salmon.

Great Britain continues this trend today with her traditional supremacy of the seas embodied in Britannia - at times shown with a trident or ships in the background, supreme over all she surveys. A copper half penny of Charles II of 1672 was probably the first modern coin bearing Britannia, seated on a shield with the Union Jack on it. This figure has been compared with a sesterius of Antoninus Pius which contained a Seated Britannia and standard.

Tradition has it that the British model of Britannia was Frances, Duchess of Richmond and Lennox. She was a raving beauty of the Restoration era. Born in France in 1648, she would have been 24 at the time this coin was minted. In 1667, Charles II considered divorcing Catherine of Braganza to marry Frances, who was his companion. Before this, Frances eloped with Charles Stewart, Duke of Richmond and Lennox, in March, 1667. Even after this, though, we are told, she remained a favorite of the king's court.

Other nations showing ships on coins are Brazil, Danzig, Estonia, Germany, Portugal, South Africa and Poland. Canada also has a voyager's canoe, Fiji Islands an outrigger canoe, Canada has a stately sailing vessel and the Chinese, a junk under sail. The Greeks portray a galley, French Colonial coins of aluminum from French Somaliland, French West Africa, and Reunion, which show a steamship.

Ship's hardware also come in for honorable mention. Thus, we note anchors on coins of Sweden, Union of South Africa, and French Indo-China. This trident is seen on coins of the Danish West Indies.

Other forms of transportation we note on our ever-educational coins are the zeppelin from Germany; the locomotive on coins of Brazil, Austria, and Mexico; the ancient chariot with the horse and bowman rumbling on the coins of Egypt, the famous automobile on the Chinese coins. From 38 B.C. we note a slave-powered galley under way on Roman coins and a 15th century

sailing vessel.

WEAPONS AND SPORTS

A survey of weapons on coins would reveal a formidable arsenal. From primitive weapons, such as the bow and arrows and the cross-bow to the modern rifles. We see the development of man's ability to kill man, unfold. Vichy France showed a double-bladed battle axe; Monaco with an archer, the Netherlands, a sword, spears from New Zealand, Balboa in a coat of mail on coins of Panama, pistols from the Comoro Islands, Portugese cannon, sabers and chariots with bowmen.

Arrows have come to be a form of decoration, and have been used as such by Spain and the United States. Skill in marksmanship is rewarded on the Shooting Festival coins of Switzerland.

Sports have come in for mention on coins. An Albanian one fourth Lek issued in 1926-27 showed a man wrestling a lion. Two wrestlers are shown on a silver stater of Aspendus, in 300 B.C. The Olympics are celebrated on the Finnish coin of 500 Markkaa, issued in 1951-52. More next month

OUR APOLOGIES

Our sincere apologies go to J. P. Jones of Waco. J. P. was the author of the article "Sesquicentennial Half Dollar Tells The Liberty Bell Story" which appeared in the January issue of TNA NEWS. The author's name was inadvertently omitted and we regret the omission. Again, our apologies.

THE UNCOMFORTABLE CHAIR

N.L.G.



EDITOR

Poor Susie is in the news again (or yet) - the Dallas Bonehead Club - the tongue-in -cheek group of self -described 'fun lovers' - has awarded the 1980 Bonehead of the Year award to the Susan B. Anthony dollar. Awarded each year to the 'person or group that has committed an act which in the eyes of the Boneheads, is a monumental goof' edged the Miss America Pageant as the top boo-boo of 1979 when Bert Parks was axed.

Financial advisor Howard J. Ruff was to accept the Bonehead trophy on behalf of the U.S. Mint, Treasury, Congress and IRA groups that designed, commissioned, promoted and distributed the coin, but now refuse to accept responsibility for its existence.

And if you don't want a handful of the SBAs when you go to the post office, better have the correct change for your stamp purchases. Beginning Feb. 1 the nation's post offices are increasing their use of the new dollars in all change-making operations.

Our speedy recovery greetings are being sent to Joe B. Davis who has been confined to a Corpus Christi hospital - to George F. Johnson of Garland who is recovering from major

surgery - and to Hellen Rust of Grifton who is also recovering from surgery. Take care, all of you.

Charleston, S.C. was established in 1680 and that same year, the colonists planted a crop called Madagascar rice. It was to prove an economic windfall. Soon rice plantations were under construction all around the colony. Rice became so important that it was used for currency and became known as "Carolina Gold."

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JUNIORS - ARE YOU READY FOR THE TNA CONVENTION?

The TNA convention this year is May 2, 3, 4, at the Shamrock Hilton Hotel in Houston. There will be many interesting things for you to participate in. There will be the many bourse tables, the educational forums (topics will be announced later), the Maximilian Numismatic & Historical Society will have a special meeting and program. All juniors, plan now to attend the two breakfasts on Saturday and Sunday mornings. You have to eat breakfast anyway so why not have the fellowship of other TNA members while you eat. Please consider an exhibit for the convention. It is not too late to prepare an exhibit but be sure you let the exhibit chairman know you will have one there.

We are planning a pizza and coke party for all juniors at the convention. They do not have to belong to TNA to enjoy and take part in this party. The place is as yet not known but will take place early Saturday evening. The place will be announced in this column next month and also will be given to all governors prior to the convention. There will also be a sign at the registration table telling you the time and place. All governors, please encourage all of your junior members to plan on this party and get-together. It is important to them. Also, juniors, you might like to attend the Charter Member reception at the convention. It is for all TNA members and a good place to meet fellow TNA members.

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WHEN & WHERE?

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AMARILLO - Amarillo Coin Club, 1st Monday, First National Bank

AUSTIN - Austin Coin Club, 2nd Tuesday, County Courthouse

BEAUMONT - Beaumont Coin Club, 3rd Thursday, First Security National Bank

CORPUS CHRISTI - Liberty Coin & Corpus Christi Coin Club, every other Tuesday, Exxon Conference Room, Wilson Tower (Always a meeting on Tuesday)

LITTLEFIELD - Lamb County Coin Club, 4th Tuesday, Reddy Room, Southwestern Public Bldg.

LEVELLAND - Levelland Coin Club, 3rd Tuesday, Chamber of Commerce Bldg.

LUBBOCK - South Plains Coin Club, 1st Monday, Precinct #1 Club House

MCALLEN - Hidalgo Coin Club, 1st Wednesday, First National Bank

ORANGE - Greater Orange Coin Club, 1st Monday, Community Center

PORT ARTHUR - Greater Port Arthur Coin Club, 4th Thursday, First Federal Savings & Loan

SAN ANGELO - San Angelo Coin Club, 1st Thursday, Central National Bank

SAN ANTONIO - Alamo Coin Club, 2nd & 4th Thursdays, First Federal Bldg., Loop 410 & Nacogdoches

WACO - Waco Coin Club, 2nd Wednesday, Texas Power & Light Center

AMARIELO - Amarillo Metro Coin Club, Last Tues., 1st Federal Savings & Loan

DALLAS - Dallas Coin Club, 3rd Thurs., Cellar Room, Holiday Central

DALLAS - Numismatics International, 3rd Wed., Republic Savings & Loan

EL PASO - International Coin Club, 1st & 3rd Thurs., Downtown Travelodge

HARLINGEN - Harlingen Coin Club, 3rd Mon., 1st National Bank

ODESSA - Odessa Coin Club, 2nd & 4th Thurs., United Way

SAN ANTONIO - Gateway Coin Club, 1st & 3rd Thurs., Roadrunner Inn, Ft. Sam Houston

TEXAS CITY - Galveston County Coin Club, 4th Tues., Nessler Civic Center

WICHITA FALLS - Wichita Falls Coin & Stamp Club, 3rd Thurs., VIP Room, Orchid Brian II, 1st Federal Savings & Loan

HOUSTON - Greater Houston Coin Club, 1st 3rd Friday, Classroom, Museum of Natural Science, Hermann Park

BORGER - Hutchinson County Coin & Stamp Club, Opportunities Center, 930 Illinois

SWILET WATER - Nolan County Coin Club, 2nd Monday, Texas Bank & Trust, Coffee Room

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EVENTS CALENDAR

MARCH 14-16

CORPUS CHRISTI COIN CLUB, annual show, Exposition Hall, Corpus Christi **WRITE:** Club, Box 3025, Corpus Christi 78404

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MARCH 22-23

AMARILLO COIN CLUB Spring Show, Civic Center **WRITE:** Linda Runkle, Chrmn., 4304 Jennie Ave., Amarillo 79106

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MARCH 29-30

WACO COIN CLUB, annual show, Texas Room, Waco Convention Center **WRITE:** Doug Weaver, 1508 North Valley Mills Dr., Waco 76710

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MARCH 30

DALWORTH COIN & STAMP CLUB, show, Rodeway Inn, Dallas-Ft. Worth Toll Rd. & Hiway 360 at Six Flags **WRITE:** Joe Wade, 6420 Diamond Loch, Ft. Worth 76118

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APRIL 13

DALLAS COIN DEALERS ASSN., Sunday Show, VFW Hall, Hwy. 121, Lewisville **WRITE:** Joe Buzanowski, Box 340731, Dallas 75234

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MAY 2-4

TEXAS NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION, 20th anniversary convention, Shamrock Hilton Hotel, Houston. **WRITE:** Gerald Kendall, general chairman, Box 55545, Houston 77055

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JULY 13

DALWORTH COIN & STAMP SHOW, Rodeway Inn, Dallas-Ft. Worth Toll Rd. & Hiway 360 at Six Flags **WRITE:**

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JULY 19-20

HOUSTON INTERNATIONAL COIN CLUB, 12th annual show, Holiday Inn, 3702 North Belt East

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JULY 31-AUG. 1-3

GARDEN STATE NUMISMATIC ASSN. INC., 5th annual convention, Hyatt Cherry Hill, Route 70, Cherry Hill, N.J.

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AUGUST 9-10

BELLAIRE COIN CLUB, annual show, Kaphan's Show Room, 7900 South Main, Bellaire

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AUGUST 9-10

SHREVEPORT COIN CLUB, annual show **WRITE:** Club, Box 492, Shreveport, La. 71162

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SEPTEMBER 6-7

SAN ANGELO COIN CLUB, annual show **WRITE:** Club, Box 2414, San Angelo 76901.

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OCTOBER 18-19

LIBERTY COIN CLUB, annual show, Exposition Hall **WRITE:** Club, Box 7001, Corpus Christi 78415

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NOVEMBER 14-16

NUMISMATICS INTERNATIONAL, 2nd annual Coin Exposition, Dunfey Dallas Hotel, Dallas **WRITE:** Charles Muchmore Jr., Box 6094, Richardson 75080

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NOVEMBER 23

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COIN WEEK ALWAYS BIG EVENT

Submitted by Glen Littrell,
Corpus, Christi, Tx

Numismatists in both the United States and Canada have set aside the third week in April as Coin Week. That same week the whooping cranes in Texas will be enroute north toward Canada's Wood Buffalo National Park where they must arrive by the first week in May in order to nest, hatch and provide time for their young to gain sufficient maturity to migrate 15 days and 2500 miles back south to their winter home.

The story of the whooping crane has been described as a love affair between two nations of people.

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MARCH, 1980

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The Union between the U.S.A. and Canada can best be illustrated by Canada's recent act of friendship and courage in caring for and freeing American hostages from Tehran in far off Iran. In addition to expressions of appreciation from high level executives, American radio stations throughout the country resounded with Canada's national anthem.

The design is being reproduced on a wooden nickel and will be distributed to numismatists conducting programs in support of the hobby.

CRAIG TO HEAD TNA EDUCATIONAL FORUM

Freeman L. Craig of San Antonio, noted authority on foreign coins, will be one of the featured speakers at the educational forum sponsored by Texas Numismatic Association during the convention to be held May 2-4 at the Shamrock Hilton Hotel in Houston.

Craig, a former TNA treasurer and Life Member of TNA and ANA, has chosen "The Ten Most Wanted Crowns" as the subject for discussion. The forum will be held on Saturday afternoon, May 3.

The term "rand" - the South African monetary unit - is derived from the word "Witwatersrand" - a gold mining area near Johannesburg.

HOUSTON - 1980

A big weekend is planned for TNA members and guests on May 2, 3, 4, 1980 at the 22nd convention. The spring event will be held at the Shamrock Hilton Hotel in Houston. Make your plans now - send for a bourse and/or exhibit application, reserve your hotel room; plan to attend the governor's and club representatives breakfast and the awards breakfast the educational programs, the



Charter Member reception when we'll celebrate TNA's 20th birthday (you don't have to be a charter member, just let us know you're coming), and the "much more" which will be listed on the convention schedule. For more information write General Chairman Gerald Kendall P O Box 55545, Houston 77055

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District Meetings

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Twenty six new members were added to the membership list of **Stephenville Coin Club** during the first January meeting held at Red Bandana Steak House. The club meets twice a month.



Joe Wade
Governor

Silver and gold auctions dominate the meetings, auctioneers being Morris Johnson, Brad Allen and Bob Neely - **Jo Stem, Sec.**

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The 286th meeting of **Fort Worth Coin Club** was held Jan. 3 with 48 members and five guests attending. Joe Wade, TNA governor, reminded members of the TNA convention to be held May 2-4 in Houston. Jerry Maples and Wally Pegg joined the club. New membership books are being planned with Charles Cox in charge.

Mrs. Havens gave a program on the history of "In God We Trust" and reminded members of how the motto was attained - **Louise Cox, Sec.**

Germany's gold 20 mark retained its value during the country's deep depression when its other currency was demonetized.

DISTRICT II -

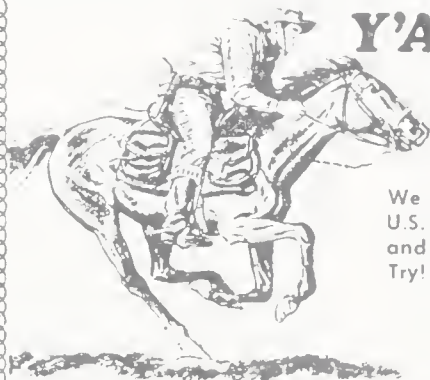
New officers for **Odessa Coin Club** are Bob Quisenberry, president, Fred Paynter, vice president, Danny Wilson, secretary, and Kenneth Haynes, treasurer. The club meets twice each month at United Way Bldg.



August H. Ganze Jr.
Governor

At the first meeting, James Pierson presented a program on foreign coins. He pointed out the large variety available and wide possibilities, particularly for juniors. As an example, he displayed a large collection of minor coinage, all uncirculated with no coin more expensive than \$3.00. He also introduced many members to foreign currency and the vast collecting possibilities in that area. With the rapid rise in gold and silver and the attendant rise in U.S. coin prices, James suggested foreign coins and currency to be still relatively inexpensive.

Several members of the **Zavala Elementary School Coin Club** were visitors at the second meeting. The group meets twice each month in the morning before school takes up to learn about coins. They are sponsored by Rev. Raul Solis, teacher at the school, and longtime member and officer of the Odessa club. Some lively



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discussions took place before, during and after the meeting between members and the students.

The evening's program was given by Bob Quisenberry on the Franklin Mint and its sophisticated security program.

August H. Ganze Jr., Gov. Dist. 2

DISTRICT III -

Elected to serve **San Angelo Coin Club** for 1980 were Don Smith, president, Travis Strothers, 1st vice president, Jim Hall, 2nd vice president, Gregg Smith, secretary, Mrs. Verna Vautrain, treasurer, and Robert King, TNA representative. Strothers is retiring president. Mrs. Leona Grupe installed the new officers during the Christmas dinner meeting held at El Patio Motel.

Lucille Coleman, Sec.

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New officers were installed for **Nolan County Coin Club** of Sweetwater at the holiday party held at Holiday Inn with 41 present. Officers taking over include Herman Nations, president, Harold Smith, vice president, Vadie Nations, secretary-treasurer.

Buz Sawyer of Abilene talked about the price of coins just a few years ago and the price now. He said coins were still a good investment even at today's prices as they are sure to increase in the next few months. Melba Coursey of Brownwood, TNA governor for District 3, was a special guest.

Sixteen attended the January meeting at Texas Bank & Trust. Plans were



Melba Coursey
Governor

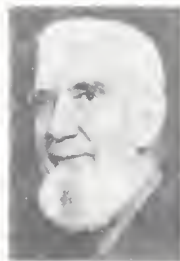
discussed for the annual Wildcat Show scheduled for October. An ANA slide program was presented on the Morgan Dollar, the varieties and die errors. Attendance prizes went to A. A. Alvarado and Wanda Harris. Vadie Nations, Sec.

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DISTRICT IV -

Members of **Waco Coin Club** met in January at the T.P. & L. Service Center. There was a short business meeting, auction and bourse.

Plans were furthered for the coin and stamp show to be held this month.



Robert E. Greenwood
Governor

J. P. Jones, Sec.

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DISTRICT V -

The **Texoma-land Coin & Stamp Club** held its annual holiday party and officer installation in the Hotel Denison ballroom with 35 attending.

Roy Jones, past president of **Hunt County Coin Club**

of Paris, installed the following: Barney Welch of Dallas, president, James Cole Denison, vice president and John Megginson, Denison, secretary-treasurer. Numismatic awards were presented to outgoing officers James Carpenter, Barney Welch and Megginson.



Barney Welch
Governor

Awards of appreciation were presented to members who had per-

formed special services for the club and were Gertrud Welch Maudella Megginson, Art Hopkins, Brian Hopkins, Carwyn Groves, George Moon, Mary Jane Carpenter, Mike Carpenter and Charles Wingo. Charles A. Wingo, TNA Rep

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Charles Muchmore Jr., president of Numismatics International of Dallas

and general chairman of the 1979 Numismatics International Coin Exposition, has announced plans for NICE 1980.

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Cmdr C C Andrews presented a slide program on counterfeit U S and foreign coins at the meeting of **Dallas Coin Club** held in the Cellar Room of Holiday Central. Andrews stated that rare and fairly common coins have been counterfeited with different degrees of workmanship. Techniques in spotting counterfeit coins were also pointed out.

It was announced that the club made a profit of \$797.53 on the sale of the 50th anniversary medal. • **Frank E. Clark, Sec.**

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Col Charles A. Wingo, past president of TNA, installed the new officers for **Garland Coin Club** which include Richard Pecena, president, James Brown, vice president, and Barbara Pecena, secretary-treasurer.

Bob Medlar of San Antonio was guest speaker and talked on "History

of Paper Money."

The club meets at Garland Women's Bldg • **Club Bulletin**

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DISTRICT VI

Attendance at **Greater Houston Coin Club's** annual show was in the three to four thousand range, according to show officials. The show was held in January at the Shamrock Hilton Hotel.



Gerald Kendall
Governor

Friends and acquaintances were saddened to learn that Bill Miller, GHCC immediate past president, passed away on Christmas day. Bill had served as president to GHCC on two occasions.

Northline Coin Club of Houston has changed its name. It is now known as **Houston International Coin Club**. Its 12th annual show will be held at the Holiday Inn, 3702 North Belt East on July 19-20.

Bellaire Coin Club has released information concerning its 1980 show. The date is Aug. 9-10 at Kaphan's Show Room, 7900 South

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DISTRICT VII -

Members of Alamo Coin Club of San Antonio enjoyed a holiday party in the home of Mr and Mrs Jack Calhoun and at the last meeting in January, colored slides from Metropolitan Museum of Art on gold artifacts of the 4th century were shown. The slide set title was "From the Lands of Scythians." - Club Bulletin

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DISTRICT VIII -

New officers are now serving Liberty Coin Club of Corpus Christi and are John Allen, president, Ross Barrerra, 1st vice president, Glen Littrell, 2nd vice president, Amber Littrell, secretary, Helen Davis, treasurer, Pat Wetzel, communications, and Eliza Barrera, hospitality TNA Governor Joe B Davis installed the new officers.

Thomas Jasek gave a program on "Overstrikes" and members learned that an overstrike occurs when one or more numerals of a year date are punched or engraved over the numerals of a different year date. When the numbers are the same this is not an overstrike but is known as re-

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On Mar 15-16, members of Corpus Christi Coin Club will stage its 22nd annual Collectors Show at Exposition Hall. For last minute information write Carl Lobell Box 3025, Corpus Christi 78404 or call 512 855-1706.

John Face gave a program on medal collecting at the Jan 15 meeting and stated that medal collecting covers a multitude of collecting interests. There are basically two types of medals - art and commemorative. Medals can be traced back to the 4th century B.C. to the decadrachms given to the winners of the Syracusan games, and later to the Roman Empire when medals were given to important visitors. Modern medals and methods were perfected during the Italian Renaissance period and come in a wide variety of shapes and content, however, bronze is the usual metal used and the round shape is most frequently found. - Club Bulletin

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DISTRICT IX -

Gold medals and silver dollars were offered at the auction conducted by Snyder Coin Club at the Jan 17 meeting held at 1908 - 26th St. Sixteen attended. Another auction at traction was large cents.

During the business session members approved the new Constitution and By laws - G. H. Goodwin, Pres.



Frank Galindo
Governor



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DO Joplin
Governor

A sum of \$50 was raised by members of **South Plains Coin Club** of Lubbock to benefit the Boys Ranch. A special auction was held during the Christmas party.

A discussion was held on show plans which will be held Mar. 15-16. Five visitors were present among the 40 attending the meeting. A 78-lot auction was held - **D. O. Joplin, Gov. Dist. 9**

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Three members attended the January meeting of **Levelland Coin Club** and discussed area shows and the rising prices of precious metals. - **D. O. Joplin, Gov. Dist. 9**

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Hanson Ling was scheduled to give the program at the February meeting of **Lamb County Coin Club** of Littlefield. It was announced at the January meeting held in the Reddy Room with 13 attending.

Tom O'Donnell of Lubbock was accepted as a new member. Tom is serving as publicity chairman for the **South Plains Coin Club** show - **D. O. Joplin, Gov. Dist. 9**

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DISTRICT XI -

The 33 members and three visitors who attended the January meeting of **Amarillo Coin Club** enjoyed a program given by the Resident Agent of the U.S. Secret Service, David Freriks. His talk was on "The Counterfeiting of U.S.



Tommy Tompkins
Governor

Paper Money" and proved to be very informative, serious and sometimes humorous. It proved amazing what some people will do or go to "to make a buck."

Rosemary White, Derek Wood, Cecil Victor and Homer Dotts received an added bonus by being the winners of the five 1961 silver proof sets that were the attendance prizes.

The newly elected officers are Brean Coffin, president; Dr. Wm. Stout, 1st vice president; J. R. Lopez, 2nd vice president; Linda Runkle, secretary; Rosemary White, historian; Thomas Gary Barker, treasurer; and Homer Dotts, TNA Representative.

Meetings are held the first Monday of each month at the First National Bank of Amarillo. - **Homer Dotts, TNA Rep.**

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DISTRICT XIII -

The **Greenbelt Coin Club** of Vernon met in the First Federal Savings & Loan parlor for the regular monthly meeting with 44 present. Leon Speer, president, conducted the meeting. A. M. Hiatt donated a door prize and prizes were won by Landon Loury for the juniors and J. D. Deickwath for the seniors.



Bill Howard
Governor

Carl Flores gave a program on the Susan B. Anthony dollar and an auction was held with Bill Howard, TNA governor, conducting. Twelve new members were welcomed into the club - **Helen O'Steen, Sec.**

The first meeting of 1980 for the Wichita Falls Stamp & Coin Club was held Jan. 17 with Morris Goolsby, president, conducting the business session. He also gave a resume of the club's purpose and some of the regular procedures of the group.

Norman Mannon, vice president, talked about possible programs to be scheduled and about the interesting history to be learned from each stamp. He gave each member a stamp with the plan at the next meeting, the member would mount the stamp on a page of paper, and list interesting facts about its design and the history it depicts.

Mrs. Nonie Green has been invited by the club to act as guest speaker later during the year. Forty members and visitors enjoyed the coffee-break

refreshment provided by the hostesses and participated in the auction - Pauline Copeland, Sec

DISTRICT XV

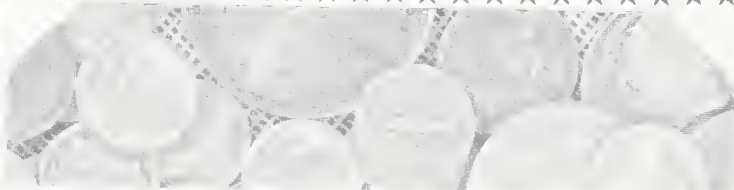
The planned program of trading coins by members of Greater Orange Coin Club was postponed to a later date due to members not remembering to bring coins to trade. Attendance prize



Jerry A. Williams
Governor

winners were Pearl Harrison, Glenn Currin and Johnny Lindow.

The auction was conducted by Ed White - Lucy Canter, Sec



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Dewey Scott won the T. G. Brown award for the most valuable member of **Greater Port Arthur Coin Club** during 1979. The presentation was made by Tom Cobb.

Nominees for new officers include Cobb, president, Glenn Dowden, vice president, Carol Mounier, secretary, and Linda Bowden, treasurer. The slate was elected by acclamation.

Coin show chairmen were appointed and include Cobb, general chairman, Scott, bourse; Jim Eldridge, Buck Dowden, publicity, and Glen Dowden, registration.

Planned for the January meeting was a program by George May on the grading of U.S. dimes. • **Club Bulletin**.

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NEIGHBOR CLUBS

The **Shreveport Coin Club**, TNA C-179, installed new officers at the annual banquet held in January. New officers are John Neblett, president, Paul Pons, vice president, Brenda Pons, secretary, G. H. Brooks, treasurer, and Roger Bernard, auctioneer.

Plans are being made for the annual coin show to be held Aug. 9-10 in Shreveport. For more information, write SCC, Box 492, Shreveport, La. 71162. • John A. Neblett, Pres.

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The **Garden State Numismatic Association Inc.** will host the 5th annual convention July 31-Aug. 1-3 at Hyatt Cherry Hill, Route 70, Cherry Hill, N.J. For further information, contact Archie A. Black, president, Box 63, Brick, N.J. 08723.

Coin prices are often governed by the fashions and whims of collectors which tends to increase the demand and therefore diminish the supply.

CONVENTION PLANS ANNOUNCED

The 22nd convention of the Texas Numismatic Association will be held May 2, 3 and 4 at the Shamrock Hilton Hotel in Houston. The convention will feature 120 dealers covering all fields of numismatics, according to Al Loja, member of Greater Houston Coin Club, which is hosting the convention.

There will be a TNA Board meeting, a variety of educational exhibits, and many other activities to ensure everyone a busy and fun-filled schedule, Loja said. A complete program will be released next month.

If anyone is interested in exhibiting, or wishes to obtain bourse space contact General Chairman Gerald W. Kendall, Box 55545, Houston, Tx 77055. Phone contact may be made during working hours at 713/767-1240, and nights, 713/683-0888.

For room reservations contact the Shamrock Hilton Hotel direct at 713/668-9211, and mention attendance at the TNA convention to be eligible for a lower rate.

Chase Manhattan Bank Donates Collection To Smithsonian

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Emergency collection to the Smithsonian Institution

The gift came less than two years after the bank presented its Chase Manhattan Money Collection to the Smithsonian under a record loan, but the gift watch was not lost for good.

With the addition of the new collection, the Smithsonian's already world-famous numismatic holdings will be further strengthened, particularly in the area of primitive currencies, American colonial paper currencies, and early American banknotes. For extensive information about the

also expand the museum's exhibit of United States coins.

The Chase Manhattan Collection was originally acquired by the Bank from Warren Zerbe, a distinguished numismatist, who spent 40 years assembling the coins, paper money and miniature copies presented to the country by the U.S. Mint. The collection met the Bank's general purpose in one of the most effective ways.

The story is told that "the eagle" leaving in 1882 took the vase as a souvenir from his visit. A century later, in 1907, it was sold by the U.S. National Museum and purchased by Lewis Clark. In the 20th century, after he had died, his son, George, sold his collection. Few of the artifacts at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition and the Lewis and Clark Centennial Exposition in 1907. He traveled extensively and kept adding to his holdings. These in time became part of the bank's museum collection which remained open for more than 40 years.

The Chase Manhattan Bank Moreau collection includes a large variety of rare and seldom seen primitive currencies. These include a clay disc coin from Abylonia (late 1200 B.C.), a Tartar silver coin from the 17th century, 350 different kinds of Indian and Chinese paper and metal coins, the Indian of Alaska (in Alaska), all kinds of 19th-century money from the East Indies, a 16th-century piece from the Solomon Islands and Elephant Tail Baskets of the 18th century from West Africa. A most unusual currency specimen is a silver coin from the Lipu Islands of the Pacific. The series is being exhibited in a special room.

others measuring as much as 12 feet across, were quarried in the Palau Islands hundreds of miles away and transported by raft to the villages. The larger stones were often placed against a person's hut to indicate wealth.

American colonial coins in the collections include a very rare New England shilling issued in 1652 as well as Willow, Oak and Pine tree shillings of the same period. There is a five shilling note from 1709, the first note printed in New York by the first printer in the state, William Bradford. A five dollar gold piece from 1795 designed by Robert Scott, first de-

signed at the U.S. Mint and struck in an edition of 9,000 is included along with a receipt for the first silver dollar minted at the U.S. Mint in 1794. Among the later coins are gold pieces struck during the gold rush.

In addition to the currency collection, there are checks signed by virtually every United States President and by such notable individuals as Benjamin Franklin, Susan B. Anthony, Charles Dickens, Harriet Ward Beecher and Helen Keller. Documents which serve as historic background for the collection are included and there is even a solid steel check cancelled with machine gun bullets. It was first prize in a welding contest.

Counting Heads Begins April 1 For Census '80

The 1980 census, which begins April 1, will mark the 20th time in the nation's history that Americans have counted themselves. The number of questions and the uses of census data have grown considerably since the first count, and quill pens have yielded to computers, but the census has never lost its roots in the Constitution.

When the delegates to the Constitutional convention met in 1787, they decided that population distribution should be the basis for direct taxation and for apportionment in the House of Representatives, so they approved a Constitutional requirement that every person in the Nation be counted at least every ten years, beginning in 1790.

For nearly two centuries since then, the decennial census has monitored the growth and development of the

nation, yielding invaluable information about ourselves as a people: who we are, what we do, how we live. Taken together, these ten-year assessments of the developing republic form the backbone of our history.

THE FIRST CENSUS

Congress appointed Secretary of State Thomas Jefferson to direct the first census in 1790. Jefferson delegated the responsibility to the 17 United States marshals, who in turn hired as many assistants as they needed. These census takers, or enumerators, were paid between one third cent and two cents for every inhabitant they counted in the existing states and southwestern territory.

They traveled on foot, boat or horseback through areas with few roads and bridges. Maps were scarce; town and county boundaries were

vague or unknown, and numbers of superstitious or untrusting citizens were uncooperative.

Despite arguments from some members of Congress, led by James Madison, that the census ought to collect facts of use to "agricultural, commercial and manufacturing" interest, the first census asked only five questions: number of free white males 16 years of age and older, number of free white males under 16 years, number of free white females, number of other free persons, and number of slaves.

Census takers recorded answers on any kind of paper they happened to have and posted the lists in each town or city in a public place. Anyone missed was expected to add his or her own name to the list. Apparently Thomas Jefferson was one of those missed the first time around, for he had to add his own name to the list

posted in Philadelphia.

The count took 18 months, and showed a population of just under four million.

For most Americans, the 1980 census will be simple. A questionnaire will arrive in the mail on Mar. 28. The recipient will simply answer the questions, which will not take long, and then either mail back the form on April 1 or hold it for a census taker to pick up, depending on the instructions.

By the time the last American is counted sometime during the summer, the Bureau of the Census will have reached an estimated 222 million U.S. residents and 86 million housing units, and gathered more than three billion answers.

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